

REMARKS

This paper is filed in response to the non-final Office Action mailed November 28, 2007.

Summary of the Office Action

The drawings are objected to.

Claims 17 and 20 are objected to.

Claims 1-15 and 17-28 stand provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting.

Summary of the Response to the Office Action

Applicants amend claims 5, 6, 17, and 20.

Claims 1-15 and 17-28 remain pending.

The Objection to the Drawings and Amendment to Claims 5 and 6

Applicants respectfully traverse the objection to the drawings as allegedly conflicting with Claim 5 because of the use of the word "first." *See MPEP § 608.01(o) and MPEP § 2173.05(e)* ("There is no requirement that words in the claim must match those used in the specification disclosure."). Applicants address the Examiner's concern by deleting the word "first" from the phrase "first receptacle" in Claims 5 and 6. No revision to the Drawings is therefore needed and the drawing objection should be withdrawn.

The Objection to Claims 17 and 20

Applicants have amended claims 17 and 20 to depend from independent claim 15 and respectfully request that the objection to these claims be withdrawn.

The Provisional Obviousness-Type Double Patenting Rejection

Claims 1-15 and 17-28 stand provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting. Because this provisional rejection is asserted in the earlier

filed application, the examiner should withdraw the provisional rejection and permit the present application to issue as a patent without a terminal disclaimer. *See MPEP § 804 I.A.1.*

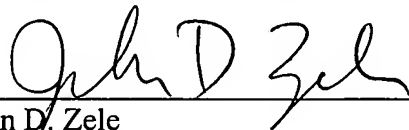
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This is the fifth non-final Office Action received in connection with the present application. The present application had been allowed, the issue fee paid, and a new continuation application filed to prosecute broader aspects of the invention. The provisional rejections and objections of the fifth non-final Office Action are believed to have been obviated and the present application is believed to be in condition for allowance.

EXCEPT for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.1 36(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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